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(Administration)

Mr. Edwin A. Thompson General Services Administration National Archives and Records Service Washington, D. C. 2040)

Dear Mr. Thompson:

This is in response to your letter of March 8, 1973, relating to a declassification request made by Mr. Louis Kruh.

The document in question originated in the office of the President, a decision on declassification would have to be made in that office. is the opinion of this Department, however, which has reviewed this document, that it should continue to be classified at its present level of classification. Were the document to be marked for purposes of downgrading and declassification pursuant to Executive Order 11652 and the National Security Council directive of May 17, 1972, it should, in our opinion, be marked "excluded" from this General Declassification Schedule under Section 5 (D) of the Executive Order 11652.

Sincerely,

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